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Ramblin'

and

Roamin'



This Time Around We're Thinkin'...

It's time some life was injected into the veins, the pillars, or maybe it's the doors, of what was once proudly called the Didsbury Memorial Arena. The portals of this expensive and hard-earned emporium are squeaking every time they open, and it's not from overuse. There are a few hockey teams who visit the arena at various times during the season, but they are not supported in the way that they should be. The schedule calls for public skating on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Sunday and, with the exception of the weekend date, there isn't enough coppers pass through the window to cover the costs of operation. Just what operation that has to be performed to remedy the situation is a good question. We do see one small light flickering in the darkness — why not get back to those fun-making skating parties we used to know so well. It's a safe bet that the arena management would go along with the idea... charge so much for the use of the ice palace and any extra schekels that are taken in at the gate could go to fill the coffers of some worthy project or organization. The Lions need money for their rest-room deal, the hockey teams can always use a few extra bucks; even the curling club could gain by working on the other side of the building for one night. It'd be fun for young and old — even the boss would strap on his rusty blades for something along this line. Let's make the rafters ring — let's not watch them roll!

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This Time Around We're Thinkin'...

About this business of keeping sidewalks clean after a snowfall. We realize there are those who are unable to use the shovel and broom, but the town has made arrangements to take care of that angle. However, there are lots of slippery, snowy places which shouldn't be there; it isn't a case of condition, it's a case of energy. Have you got it?

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This Time Around We're Thinkin'...

Along the same lines as all followers of hockey... it's nice to see the high school team taking another whirl at the game with new uniforms and a new coach. Peek elsewhere in this issue and you'll spot the lads who are wearing the recently-acquired finery.

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This Time Around We're Thinkin'...

There's a big deal cookin' as regards the Community Chest plan. The idea is starting to get across and further meetings will bring more details to light. Sounds like good business!

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This Time Around We're Thinkin'...

About the stoop who made the remark to another stoop: "That's a queer pair of socks you have on — one red and one green." The answer: "Yeah, and the funny thing about it is, I've got another pair at home just like this." Time now to check our foot-covers, see you next week, with matched socks!

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DEAR DOCTOR

A doctor was invited out for dinner by letter; he sent his hostess a reply that he hadn't read it. So she took it to her druggist.

He went into the back room and returned with a small box. "That will be \$1.95, please," he said.

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HIS HO !

The atmosphere at the breakfast table was tense. "Said the husband, "Well, I suppose you're plenty angry because I came home with this black eye last night."

"Why, not at all, dear," his wife answered, sweetly. "You may not remember, but when you came home you did not have that black eye."

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THAT'S STRANGE

As the gold-plated Cadillac pulled up to the tall bridge, an Alberta oil man leaned out of the car and asked: "How much is the toll?"

"One dollar, sir," said the attendant.

The oil man rummaged through the pockets of his \$200 suit. "I can't seem to find any small change," he said. "How much is the bridge?"

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THAT STOPPED HIM ! ! !

A young fellow had been sent to the country by his father to stay with some relatives. After three weeks, the discouraged boy sent his dad a wire:

"No mom (stop): no fun (stop): you see?"

His father's reply: "Go dad (stop): too bad (stop): you dad (stay):"

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

How spiritual understanding of God as divine Life brings strength and freedom will be brought out Sunday at Christian Science services.

Scriptural selections in the Lesson-Sermon on "Life" will include the following from John 17:3: "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, who thou hast sent."

From "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy, will be read the following (487:27): "The understanding that Life is God, Spirit, lenithens our days by strengthening our thrust in the deathless and Life's almighty and immortality."

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SERVICE BOARD NOTES

W. E. SNYDER
 Agricultural Service Board

VIBRIOSIS: This is an infectious venereal disease of female cattle.

This disease is present in this locality and is causing some concern to cattle breeders.

A cow that has been infected may be quite difficult to get rid of, and may require repeated services.

There is the further likelihood that she will abort somewhere about the 5th or 6th month. This disease is definitely spread during breeding season by the infected cow.

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cow remain a carrier of the disease.

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Notes From D.A.

By HOWARD J. FULCHER-

There are now a few varieties of barley on the market. Some of these have been grown for a few years and proven satisfactory, others have only had limited testing but indicate they will find a place in the cropping program.

In barley Gateway is a smooth awned variety, it is about two days later than Husky Olli, but is better in yield; it is not a malting variety, to date. It yields well and is only two days later than Gateway in maturing. Husky, another awned feed barley, is later in maturing but a high yielding variety, which is strong straw. Husky is a new malting variety but seed distribution is under control. It appears to yield well and may find a spot among the barleys grown in this area.

In the oats, a few new varieties seem to be proving out well, they are all medium to mid-maturing in time of maturing. Rodney matures in about the same time as Victory but is stronger straw. The kernel is very plump and thin hulled. In Garry, a newer variety, the indication is that it will prove quite satisfactory in this area, it is very strong in disease resistance and yields well.

The recommended varieties for this area Gateway, Husky, Olli and Wolfe in the barleys, oat varieties are La-rain, Eagle and Rodney. Other old varieties and some of the new ones may prove quite satisfactory for your conditions. In any case get good seed of high germination and free from weeds.

THE DIDSURY PIONEER, DIDSURY, ALBERTA

By The Way

Contributed by
REV. T. J. STANTON, M.A.

"How is it you are so late this morning, Sam?" Please explain.
"Yes, sir, I can explain. I was kicked by a mule when I was coming to work." "That ought not to have made you so very late, since you were able to come to work after being kicked." "It wouldn't have," said Sam. "If he had kicked me in this direction, you see, boss, he kicked me the other way."

Sam represents a class of people like the one Abraham Lincoln was describing when he said: "He's not the 'can't-help-it's.' Every person who is a victim of circumstances is a victim of his own way of living; has a dose of 'The can't-help-it's' to a greater or lesser degree. When life is organized around the self in this way, every duty annoys; yea everything that gets in the way of that which pleases annoys; and someone else is blamed for it when it is not blamed."

The teacher says my wife annoys me. She is very hard to get along with. The mother says the children are so ungrateful. The children say our parents are so cranky and stuffy. The lazy or incompetent workman says, the boss is out for me. The indifferent student says I am not good enough for the teacher. The husband says my wife annoys me. Every properly adjusted person finds someone else to blame for his own feelings. These people all assume that if you can make enough excuses and give plenty of alibis for your small and mean behaviour, you are not responsible for what you are not.

Behind these lame excuses, hides the false idea, that character is the product of the environment we live in. Thus we sink into the smothering habits of doing as others do, because we should not be expected to do anything bravely, wisely, fine, to do anything bravely, wisely, fine, than others are doing. Therefore when we go wrong, become brutal, selfish and unhappy, by doing as our neighbors do, it is our neighbors who are to blame, not we. We've got the can't-help-it's."

This way of living in which the blame is always wrongly placed brings ever increasing anxiety and insecurity. There is always a sense of shame hidden behind the pretence of a false front. This makes

THAT'S LOGICAL

Little Betty's mother asked her why she was crying.
"My new shoes hurt me," she said.
"No wonder. You have them on the wrong feet."

"I haven't any other feet," little Betty wailed.

peace of mind impossible. And peace of mind is one thing, even the most selfish among us desires more than anything else. But it is only responsible people who can enjoy it.

H. B. Walker, in his book "The Responsibility For You," says: "You cannot run a charge account against the world, claiming what we want for ourselves and giving nothing in return." He who thinks he can, finds life one blunder after another. Life has neither meaning, direction, satisfaction, service or sacrifice in it. Life is organized around the self in others become life's driving power. It is through the vital contributions we are able to make to society that we are able to pay our moral charge account.

When we honestly seek to pay the small debt we feel we owe, we become conscious of our responsibility. A sense of courage and safety replace fear and insecurity. We become conscious of the fact that there is "Grace for every time of need" and for every kind of need. Grace always does something for us and for us, that we cannot do for ourselves. Grace destroys our can't-help-it's, and enables us to say I am able. I am responsible. His Grace is sufficient. Jesus said it is this way.

"Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in their midst. If any of them are conscious of a healing, helping, guiding power greater than self."

By Faith and Grace we become large enough to be responsible people. "Half of the harm that is done in this world, is due to people who want to feel important. They do not mean to do wrong, but they do not care if they do not interest them, or they do not see it, or they justify it because they are absorbed in the endless struggle to think well of themselves."

"The slightest breeze that ever blew
Some slender grass has waved.
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DISTRICT NEWS

Guest Editorial

NO MORE HAILED GARDENERS!
Every Calgary gardener and every
property owner will acclaim the sug-
gestion that a hail suppression pro-
gram be instituted for this city.

The advantage of such a program
to farming areas was amply demon-
strated in the Didsbury district last
year. Now the idea of other members
of the hall belt are anxious to
participate. How much more bene-
ficial it would be to the City of Cal-
gary, where growing crops are
measured by the square foot instead
of the acre, where there are vulner-
able shrubs every 50 feet
of every mile!

Why didn't somebody think of this
before? Why just the rural dis-
trict? The idea for Calgary even-
tually came from W. H. Hawkins,
vice-president of the Calgary Gard-
ening Society, and is being sponsored
by the society. Other gardening
groups, many of them insurance
companies and large prop-
erty owners are expected to enlist
their support.

But the property damage goes well
beyond gardens. Windows are bro-
ken, roofs shredded and siding molt-
ed. One industry in Calgary
suffered \$11,000 damage in a 20-
minute hail storm last August.

Eliminating or reducing the hall
risk would mean a big saving in
property insurance premiums, as
well as in damage that cannot be
covered by insurance.

If it is worthwhile financially to
spend a bit of money to prevent
hail on grain land growing a crop
worth \$800,000, it is surely
much worth while would it be to
spend the same money saving an
acre of city property (about seven
50-foot lots) containing perhaps
\$50,000 worth of buildings and hun-
dreds of dollars worth of gar-
dens, shrubs and trees?

This cost would have to be worked
out with the community engaged in
this work. It would probably be
five to fifteen cents per household
per year. Since the benefit would
be to real property, meaning land
(and what is growing on the land)
and buildings, and since the amount
per property involved would be so
trifling, we think it would be more
convenient to have the cost come
out of the city treasury and re-
covered through taxation of that
very same property. A volun-
teer system of contributions would
be all right, except that few would be
likely to give for the benefit of all
and the trouble and cost of collecting
the small sum involved would be
out of proportion. But raising the
money is not the issue now.

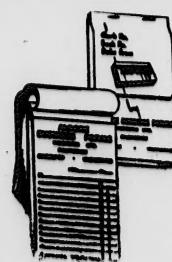
Hail suppression is not yet fool-
proof, but we are convinced it is past
the trial stage. It was so effective
north of here that insurance
premiums have been cut as much
as 75 per cent. The hall-belt farm-
ers are convinced it works, and the
area covered will be greatly extended
this year.

Farmers immediately east, north
and west of Calgary are considering
a hall suppression program for the
year. It could be that their efforts,
paid for by themselves (through
proper taxation) would have bene-
ficial results in Calgary without the
co-operation or support of the City of
Calgary. This would not be fair. Calgary stands to gain so much
more than these farmers from a suc-
cessful hail suppression, that she
should pay at least her full share of
any cost. Calgary should in fact be
a partner with the rural areas in a
large program.

The biggest gardener in the city,
namely Superintendent Alex Moore
of the city parks department, has
given his enthusiastic approval of
such a project. His beautifully laid
out and carefully tended flower beds
suffered damage, to some extent
in some cases, every year. How-
ever, the extent to which the city
would take the lead in this must be
worked out between him and the
city commissioners, and probably
city council.

The benefits of this proposal are
so vast every gardener should join in
pushing it.

— The Calgary Albertan



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FROM
THE DIDSBURY PIONEER

M.V.B.C. NEWS

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Christmas vacation is a thing of
the past and students and faculty
are back at most enjoyable time of
recreation and fun. This is, of course,
all who didn't spend time writing
term papers or being sick. All
is well here now, and every one
is eager to get into the swing of class
work and study for the second semes-
ter. Examinations closed Friday
and the new semester begins Tues-
day.

Mr. Carpenter enjoyed a full day
choir rehearsal on Monday. It is the
custom to take one entire day be-
tween semesters to practice, and the
halbs range with notes on and off
key throughout the day. It is rather
strenuous for the director, to be sure.

Mrs. Kagey and Miss Eby made
their way back from Washington by
bus instead of train. However, they
did suggest that they have a refund
coming from the C.P.R., so they are
on their way home a little later on.

They enjoyed their bus trip and ar-
rived home Saturday night, three
students having met them at the
Calgary terminal.

Mrs. Suder returned from Ontario
via the C.N.R. and arrived in Dids-
bury on Sunday afternoon. Lois
and Carol had little time on the
day. Mrs. Suder had the privilege
of going to New York with her chil-
dren during the New Year season.

The school dining room had a lift
during the first semester. Lovely
green table mats were donated by a
friend and look lovely on the
polished tables. The W.M.S. placed
the lift in the dining room last
year. A beautiful lace table
cloth has been given to us. We'll use
it soon, we hope.

On Monday evening the college
had its first semester turkey dinner.
These turkeys were the gift of friends
of the students in honor of the new di-
rector, Mr. Carpenter. They had a
most enjoyable evening together.

Mrs. Kagey and Miss Eby were
dinner guests of the Harold Oke fam-
ily on Sunday.

The college will like to take this
opportunity to wish all a happy New Year.
May happiness and prosperity attend
the path of each one is our earnest
and sincere wish for each one.

Redeemer Lutheran Holds Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the voters'
assembly of Redeemer Lutheran
Church, Didsbury, was held last
evening, Jan. 13, in the church
basement. From the various reports
given, as well as from the annual
report mailed to all members, it was
clearly seen that the congregation
experienced another year of rich
blessings.

The congregation numbers 395
souls, 237 of these are communicant
members. In the course of the year
17 children and five adults were
baptized. In the same period eight
adults and five young people were
admitted into membership. A total
of 63 names were conducted at
Didsbury, with an average attend-
ance of 152.

During 1956 services were also
given at Sundre. This work will con-
tinue during 1957.

The various organizations within
the church enjoyed many blessings.
The Ladies' Aid donated \$300 toward
the installation of gas
in the church and parsonage and
also paid for the devotional booklets
that are sent to each member. The
W.M.F. Ladies' Aid under-wrote the
"Every Sunday" bulletins and
helped to publicize the church. The
Sunday school met 51 times, con-
ducted by a staff of 12 teachers.
Saturday school and Vacation Bible
school also played a prominent part
in the work of the church.

Finally, the congregation must
have assumed that the total
mission offering was \$3,026. For home purposes it
raised \$6,351. The major under-
taking for the year was conversion
to gas. Two new furnaces were in-
stalled in the church and a gas fur-
nace in the parsonage. The total
cost was \$1,082. This amount was
off-set, however, by the sale of the
old furnace, etc. There is no debt
left on this item.

For 1957 the congregation as-
sumed a budget of \$10,000, of which
amount \$3,500 is designated for
missions.

The following were elected as of-
ficers for 1957: Mr. E. C. Ploper,
chairman; Rev. E. B. Fox, secretary;
Mr. J. C. Fokmann, treasurer; Mr.
Carl Meyer, elder and trustee; Mr.
Lois Hildebrandt, elder.

The church in the course of the
year declined in the number of the
Lutheran church in the
Lethbridge parish, and thus has
completed 10 years of service in Re-
deemer Lutheran church.

The congregation also appointed
a committee to examine ways and
means by which they could be
commemorated on the 50th anniversary
of the Lutheran church in the
Lethbridge area. Records show that work
among the Lutherans was begun in
1907. The first constitution was
presented to the Lutheran group at
Westcott on Dec. 1, 1907. This com-
mittee will report at the next meet-
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Little Items of Local Interest

Mrs. R. Davidson and son are visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Middleton, at Lethbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Easton, Mr. and Mrs. H. Halliday and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ford motored to Great Falls on Friday to attend the mid-winter cabinet meeting of Lions International.

Mr. Ed Ford left Sunday for Regina to attend a four-day General Motors course.

Mr. C. E. Reiber and Mr. R. Budde were Tuesday business visitors in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter McInnes and Mr. and Mrs. Arden Deadrick were dinner guests of Dr. Dalton Deadrick and family, who moved into their new home in Lacombe last week.

JACKSON INSTITUTE PLAN YEAR'S PROGRAM

Program plans for 1957 were drawn up by the Jackson W.I. at its December meeting. The main entertainment of the families of members a pot luck supper is being arranged.

A very interesting letter from a pen friend, Mrs. T. E. Dixon of Hallbankgate, W.I., England, was read.

A W.I. pin was presented to Mrs. C. Davies, who, with her husband and daughter, will leave shortly for a trip to England.

Mrs. F. Somerville contributed the five-minute talk for inner beauty. Mrs. L. Hildebrand took charge of the used clothing donated for Kowalski's relief through the United Service Committee.

At the conclusion of the meeting an attractive lunch, featuring fruit cake and fancy cookies, was served by the hostess, Mrs. C. Eckstrand and her assistants, Mrs. W. Felker, Mrs. R. Hallett, Mrs. O. Paas and Mrs. W. Bohannon.

Coming Events

Didsbury East 4H Club will hold a picnic social dance at United Nations by Ken Stiles and a short program, at Lone Pine hall on Friday, Jan. 26 at 8 p.m. Anyone wishing to donate pies may do so.

The annual meeting of the Didsbury District W.M.F. will be held Friday, Jan. 19 at 8 p.m. Final decision as to whether the Red Cross will participate with the Community Chest will be arrived at that evening. A large turn-out is hoped for. Lunch will be served.

Knox United W.M.F. will meet at the manse, Monday, Jan. 21, at 8 p.m.

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